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### **NEWS RELEASE**

## **Child Found in Juarez Identified Mother Charged**

Date & Time: February 22, 2017

Location: Cd. Juarez, Chihuahua, MX

Located Child: 4-year-old, Male

Arrested: 25-year old Ruby Esmeralda GONZALEZ of El Paso, TX

EL PASO, TEXAS: The El Paso Police Department's Crimes Against Persons unit has identified the child found in Juarez, Chih., MX on February 22, 2017 as a 4 –year old United States citizen. The investigation revealed that 25-year old Ruby Esmeralda GONZALEZ the biological mother of the child took the victim to Juarez, Chih., MX., on February 22, 2017 and left him in an abandon building. GONZALEZ came back to the United States without the victim on that same date the investigation revealed. On Saturday, June 3, 2017 after seeing photographs of the victim on local television stations GONZALEZ called police to report the kidnapping of the victim. As a result of the investigation, GONZALEZ has been charged with Abandon Endanger Child Imminent Danger Bodily Injury. She was booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility on a bond of \$10,000.00. The El Paso Police Department would like to thank the local media for the distribution of the photographs of the victim provided by investigators. Investigators continue to work with Law Enforcement in Juarez, Chih., MX., as this investigation continues. The El Paso Police Department is cancelling the alert with regards to the victim's identity.

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### History June 2, 2017

El Paso, TX. -The El Paso Police Department's Crimes Against Persons (CAP) unit is seeking information that would assist in identifying a child located in Juarez, Mexico on February 22, 2017. CAP is looking for information that would provide the child's full and true identity, as well as his citizenship and any information to help with locating any possible family members. The child was found in Juarez, Mexico, which is city directly across from El Paso, Texas and is linked by several International Bridges. The child is described as Hispanic, 3' tall, weighing 40 pounds, short brown hair, brown eyes, birthmark above the left eyebrow, found wearing blue sweatpants, black shoes, shirt, with a possible first name of "Luis." It is possible that the child is an American Citizen because he understands and speaks English. Anybody with information about this found child is asked to call the El Paso Police Department at (915) 832-4400 or Crime Stoppers of El Paso at (915) 566-8477.

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